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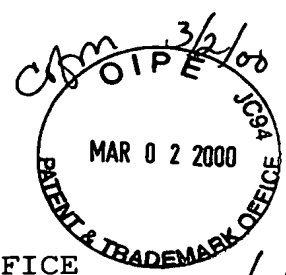
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In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in  
37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant wishes to bring the following  
items to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each item  
is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner, with the  
exception of Japanese Published Patent No. 58-27504, which  
will be submitted once a translation has been prepared.

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reflects its relative pertinence. The references cited below are not intended to constitute an admission of any kind. Specifically, this presentation is not an admission that the items listed below are properly citable against the above-identified application.

The following documents are cited in the specification of the application.

- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application (A) 59-185319 (FUJI PHOTO FILM CO., LTD.), published October 20, 1984;
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application (A) 51-19530 (FUJI PHOTO OPTICAL CO., LTD.), published February 16, 1976; and
- (3) Japanese Published Patent No. 58-27504.

The Applicant also wishes to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner.

- (4) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application (A) 5-346508 (CANON INC), published December 27, 1993;
- (5) Cho et al, U.S. Patent 4,576,458, issued March 18, 1986 (U.S. counterpart to JP 59-185319); and
- (6) Harada, U.S. Patent 4,027,327, issued May 31, 1997 (U.S. counterpart to JP 51-19530).

Applicant considers the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

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